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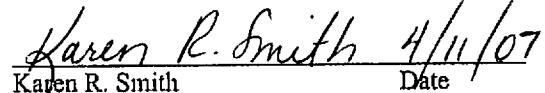
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 4, 2006, the period for response having been extended by a one-month Extension of Time filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.